

FEAFFA Weekly activities 15th -19th October 2012

1. Participate in the Border assessment exercise for Busia

The federation participated in a one day border activity at Busia border organized by USAID COMPETE on the 19th of October 2012. The federation was represented by the Executive Director. The exercise aimed at taking stock of the progress made in implementing the Joint Border Committee (JBC). Besides, the exercise provided an opportunity to bring out the various challenges facing the border and the possible solutions with the perspective of the stakeholders at the border.

2. Collect data for the policy papers on self regulation and mutual recognition of customs agents licenses

Data collection for the two studies above continued in Kampala, Nairobi and Namanga border. The consultants met with clearing agents affiliated to UFFA in Kampala and Uganda revenue authority. They also met agents on both sides of the Namanga border gathering their views on the two issues. One member of staff from FEAFFA secretariat is accompanying the consultants. Data collection will continue until end of the Month in the three remaining EAC countries.

3. Preparing for the CIC meeting to validate EACFFPC training materials in Mombasa

The secretariat heightened the preparations for the CIC meeting scheduled for 31st – 2nd November 2012 in Mombasa. Work on the logistics was started having secured confirmations from all participants. The meeting is expected to validate the EACFFPC training materials developed by the team of subject experts in readiness for deployment in January 2013.